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Free Talk

Grocery shopping (日常的)购物 -> 买菜、去超市等等

Paid holiday 带薪假期

In-class Testing

Vocabulary ...

Writing Structure ...

Homework Analysis

Homework has always been a topic of debate in schools. While some argue that it is an essential tool for reinforcing what we learn in class, others believe it takes up too much of their free time. *What is your opinion?*

On one hand, homework allows students to review and practice what they've learned, which can help them understand the material better. As some of my classmates have pointed out, they sometimes find it easier to focus and learn at home, where there are fewer distractions than in the classroom.

However, many students feel that the amount of homework they receive is overwhelming. They argue that it consumes too much of their free time, leaving them with little opportunity to relax or pursue other interests. Moreover, some students feel that they would rather stay longer at school to complete tasks, rather than spending hours at home.

In my opinion, homework should be balanced. While it is important for reinforcing knowledge, it should not overwhelm students or take away from their personal time.

第一段: + In my opinion / In my thought / From my perspective / I hold the opinion that ..., homework should be balance.

第四段: In conclusion, I think

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1. I like visiting museums which have many paintings.
2. It is interesting to talk to people whose personal tastes are different from mine.
3. I want to become a scientist who studies outer space.
4. Holidays are a time when you can enjoy a slow-paced life.
5. Not every person who has knowledge is wise.
6. Some people believe that globalisation normalises various cultures.
7. The scientific knowledge we learned at school is sometimes useful *in our daily life.
8. People who do not exercise regularly are usually in bad shape.
9. It is reported that school uniforms hinder students from expressing their individuality.
10. It is recommended that people with high blood pressure avoid stress.
11. Many countries are trying to develop new energy sources that can replace fossil fuels.
12. By reading fiction, I can understand the feelings of other people whom I have never understood before.

12. By reading fiction, I can understand the feelings of other people **whom** I have never understood before.)

*I can understand the feelings of **other people**.

*I have never understood **other people** before. other people 作为宾语 -> 用whom
 主语 谓语 宾语

Have you found the key you lost.

Have you found the key?

You lost your key. You key -> 宾语 -> 可以省略 "that"

Adverb Clauses

1. Time

Some people tend to eat a lot **when** they feel stressed out.

While we were sleeping, a burglar broke into the house.

He plans to study abroad **after** he graduates from university.

Usually, I reserve judgment on someone **until** I get to know him better.

Since I graduated from high school, I have missed my school uniform.

I agree that children should begin learning a foreign language **as soon as** they start school.

2. Reason

I want to get a high-paying job **because** I should support my family.

Since children cannot live by themselves, their parents should be responsible for them.

As it is raining again, we have to cancel our picnic.

3. Condition

If I were a pet, I would not want to live with humans.

Unless you want to lose your job, you should be punctual. (*If you don't want...*)

In case you are in danger, you should carry your cell phone all the time.

As long as you are healthy, you can do anything.

4. Contrast

There are many things that you can learn from children **though** they are young.

Even if you are well prepared for an exam, it is possible for you to make mistakes.

While sports mainly strengthen your body, the arts can enhance your soul.

Most rural areas are safe **whereas** some urban areas are dangerous even during the daytime.

5. Purpose & Result

You should keep your friends' secrets **so that** you can be trusted. (Purpose)

Some people are **so** immoral **that** they take advantage of others' weaknesses. (Result)

Global warming is **such** a problem **that** some islanders worry that their islands might sink.
(Result)

New Writing Task - In-class Practising

Exercise 6

- 15 Recently, your school held a sports day in which all students had to take part in sports competitions. Your headteacher has asked you to write a report about it.

In your report, say what was good about the sports day, **and** suggest how it could be made more enjoyable for all students next year.

Here are some comments from students:

Seeing students who are great at sport makes me want to do better.

I can really show that I have a talent for something on sports day.

I hate sport but I still have to take part, which isn't fair.

I didn't know what time different competitions were going to start.

Write a report for your headteacher, giving your views.

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you can also use some ideas of your own.

Your report should be between 100 and 150 words long.

You will receive up to 6 marks for the content of your report, and up to 6 marks for the language used.

The school sport meeting was held in our school recently, and all students were told/required to participate in the competition (背景). Overall, the event was enjoyable/successful, but there are ways to improve and make it better next year. / ... but there are ways it could be improved for next year.

结构:

*背景

*Overall, 好的方面, but 值得提升

One of the positive aspects of the school sport meeting is that it encourages students to do better. For example, many students mentioned that they were inspired / motivated after seeing other classmates perform well in different / various sports. Another benefit is that it helps students discover/uncover their talent in sports. Many students discovered their athletic talent which might be hidden without this sport meeting.

结构:

*好的方面 1 (相当于总结题目提供的 "Seeing students who are great at sport makes me want to do better.")

*例子 -> 怎么体现 (相当于展开写 "Seeing students who are great at sport makes me

want to do better.”)

*好的方面 2

*例子 -> 如何体现

However, there are points / areas that could be fixed / improved / enhanced for next year. Some students were unhappy because they were forced to take part in, even though they didn't like sports. To solve this problem, school can add some interesting activities / games that are related to sport, such as basketball shooting and tug of war. Another issue / problem was that students found it hard to know the time of different events. This problem can be addressed by making a more detailed schedule and posting them online.

结构:

*总起 (概括问题)

*描述+例子 (展开叙述问题)

*解决办法

In summary, while the school sport meeting was a success, there is still something to improved. By fixing the above-mentioned problems, I believe that the next sport meeting would be better.

关于“解决问题”的表达:

Verb Expressions

1. Address the issue/problem
2. Tackle the problem
3. Resolve the issue/problem
4. Deal with the problem
5. Overcome the difficulty
6. Fix the issue
7. Handle the situation

Noun Phrases

1. Provide a solution to the problem
2. Offer a resolution

3. Find a remedy for the problem
4. Take action to solve the issue

1. 连词成句 (状语从句)

- 1 看商业广告时, 我们能够得到许多有关各种产品的信息。
(a lot of information / when we / we can get / about various products / watch commercials)

- 2 除非实现生活中的目标, 否则我永不放弃。
(I will never / my goal / until / give up / I achieve / in life)

- 3 自从出生我就没离开过我的祖国。
(my home country / I was born / I have never left / since)

- 4 有些人愿意听从他人的命令, 有些人则不愿意。
(others' orders / feel comfortable / whereas / in following / some people / others don't)

- 5 如果你和别人合用一个房间, 就没有太多的隐私。
(you will / share a room / much privacy / not have / with someone / if you)

- 6 企业如果不能及时偿还贷款就可能破产。
(go bankrupt / a loan / a company / it may / unless / in time / pays back)

- 7 有些人如此物质主义, 以至于认为金钱可以解决任何问题。
(can resolve / so materialistic / money / some people are / that they think / any problem)

- 8 你一旦决定了想从事的研究领域, 就应该同你的老师讨论一下。
(with your teacher / once you decide / that you want / you should discuss it / on a field of study / to pursue)

- 9 在寻求他人帮助前, 你应该尝试独立解决问题。
(to solve / before / you ask / alone / you should try / for others' help / your problem)

- 10 在城市里, 购买必需品很容易, 因为便利店到处都是。
(everywhere / because / easily / in a city / buy necessities / convenience stores are / you can)

2. Writing Task

Exercise 6

- 13** Your school recently held an art exhibition to show students' artwork. Your teacher has asked you to write a report on the exhibition.

In your report, say what was good about the exhibition **and** suggest how it could be improved next year.

Here are some comments from other students:

There were lots of different types of art.

Everyone was really proud of their work.

The art wasn't displayed well.

The exhibition should last more than one week.

Write a report for your teacher.

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you can also use some ideas of your own.

Your report should be between 100 and 150 words long.

You will receive up to 6 marks for the content of your report, and up to 6 marks for the language used.

3. Study the expression related to “解决问题”

*Refer back to page 5-6